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Marginal Column

By "COMMENTATOR"

IT was six years after Versailles when the first official German delegation came to London, headed by Chancellor Marx and Foreign Minister Stresemann. Doctor Adenauer combines these functions and his party six years after the end of World War II is smaller, but in an incomparably stronger position. Marx and Stresemann came to request certain alleviations in the provisions of the peace treaty, while Dr. Adenauer, not burdened by such outmoded customs, arrived for an exchange of opinion with the new British government. This time there are no one-sided German requests and applications but haggling on the price of Germany's contribution to the Western defence scheme, as it is commonly called. Adenauer has also been in Paris and Rome while his Communist colleagues from East Berlin have visited Moscow, Warsaw and Prague. German politicians are certainly going places nowadays.

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DR. ADENAUER'S hosts are probably more than somewhat exasperated by the tenacity of their guest—an extremely bad speaker but one of the cleverest negotiators ever produced by the Catholics in Germany. It can be taken for granted that Dr. Adenauer's hosts would prefer that their relations with Western Germans be more like those of their rivals with the Eastern Germans. How much simpler it is for the Politburo: No long discussions, no conditions, no strings. If *they* need another division or two of "Bereitschaften" in Eastern Germany, their instructions will be fulfilled without ado; progressive journalists sleep well and undisturbed by nightmares of German rearmament.

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IN the meantime in Paris the Western allies have tabled their proposals for an impartial commission to investigate the possibility of free and secret elections throughout Germany. The Western Allies do not believe, of course, any more than do the Russians that Germany can be unified now. The Western proposal is a mere propaganda manoeuvre, and not a very astute one, at that. Mr. Jacob Malik, the Soviet representative, has revealed touching concern for the "national dignity of the German people who would be put in one rank with colonial people by becoming subject to a United Nations enquiry."

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IT should be said in fairness however, that Mr. Malik's real reason for anxiety regarding the sensitivity of the Germans was most likely not motivated by fundamental changes in Soviet politics but by opposition to U.N. inquiry committees for the Eastern bloc. It is quite true that Russia wants a unified Germany, but just cannot afford elections.

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MEANWHILE the Western German Bundesrepublic has protested against the high occupation costs to be paid by it. A salient example mentioned in the German note: The lavatories of the German Wehrmacht, it charged, were illuminated by 60-80 watt lamps, while the American latrines received 800 watt lamps. Why this squandering? Why should the American army in Germany get 500,000 artificial teeth from the Germans as part of the occupation costs? But an American spokesmen told the Germans to be quiet: When they will be received as equal partners in the Atlantic defence scheme, their yearly contribution will be six times higher than the present occupation costs. German politicians, it is said, were shocked by this revelation and promised not to raise the matter of the artificial teeth or the U.S. lavatories again.

Jerusalem, December 9.

MIAMI BOMBING

WASHINGTON, Saturday (INA). — The U.S. Attorney-General Mr. McGrath, today ordered the F.B.I. to start an inquiry into the recent incidents in Miami. The Secretary of Justice stated that the purpose of the inquiry would be to decide whether there was any violation of the U.S. Federal law since the F.B.I. cannot otherwise intervene.

Seamen Refuse To End Strike Before Talks

HAIFA, Saturday. — The maritime dispute remained stalemated tonight after the Seamen's Convention, in a special session here this evening, decided by 39-1 to reject the Organizing Committee's demand to call off their strike. The Organizing Committee of the new Histadrut sponsored Seamen's Union had earlier informed the Seamen's Convention that it would examine their case only if they ended their strike.

The seamen asserted that this condition did not guarantee the return of the striking seamen to their vessels. They interpreted this to mean that the volunteer crews would be retained, and reinstatement of the former crew members would be implemented at the discretion of the new union's Organizing Committee.

Discussions between the Seamen's Union and the Organizing Committee, which began here yesterday afternoon, came on the heels of a decision of the Histadrut Executive to refer the seamen's six-point truce offer, made on Thursday, to the Organizing Committee.

The Convention had voted earlier to accept the Histadrut Executive's decision that their dispute be submitted to the Organizing Committee.

Position Explained

At the request of the Convention, two members of the Organizing Committee explained the Histadrut Executive's decisions and the Organizing Committee's preliminary condition. After the Convention's vote to reject the stipulation, Mr. Shaul Avigor, Chairman of the Organizing Committee, reiterated his point of view and the Committee's readiness to examine the entire question once the strike is called off.

The Convention instructed the crew of the s.s. Rimon and the s.s. Tel Aviv, whose crews joined the strike on arrival here this afternoon, to resist the police in the event of an attempt to remove them from the ships. The Convention informed the authorities, however, that, in deference to their request the Rimon's crew would be instructed to unload some essential supplies, if a Seamen's Union representative were permitted to explain to the crew this deviation from the strike order.

The seamen also state that they received a cable from the Socialist-led organization of trade unions, Force Ouvriere promising support and indicating that French dock workers would not handle any Israel ships manned by strike-breakers.

Histadrut circles here state that the s.s. Tel Aviv did not fly the national flag when she sailed into Haifa Port this afternoon, allegedly on the orders of her master, Captain I. Aronovitch (captain of the famous "illegal" immigrant ship, the s.s. Exodus), who, is known to be sympathetic to the seamen's point of view. The failure to fly the national flag, it is understood, was intended as a sign that the vessel was a struck ship.

The s.s. Tamar, which has been loading citrus since Thursday, is to sail to the U.K. tonight. Loading was delayed when three of the ship's winches were broken during work here. Today, a shore-based winch was brought up to complete the loading of 60,000 cases. It is not yet clear which crew will man the ship, but some volunteers are already aboard.

The s.s. Tzfonit, manned by volunteers and foreigners, arrived today from Cyprus, where she had loaded copper ore yesterday. She is to leave for Antwerp tomorrow night after taking 50,000 cases of citrus for Europe.

7 Editors Seek Refuge in Majlis

TEHERAN, Saturday, (Reuter).—Seven editors of opposition newspapers took refuge in the Majlis today. They complained of terror, violence and intimidation. They issued a statement saying that as long as their lives were in danger and the police were helping and encouraging hooliganism, they would stay in the Majlis. All are right wingers.

Four of the editors were from newspapers whose presses and offices were wrecked and looted in Thursday's riots here. They are: Dr. Faripur of "Sedaye Mardom," Amidi Nuri of "Dad," Haeni Hashemi of "Tuhi" and Abbas Shahanda of the weekly "Farman."

The "Shahed," organ of Premier Mossadegh's National Front, said today that several newspapers attacked "were financed by the former Anglo-Iranian Oil Company." It blamed Thursday's riots on "British lords of industry" who aimed at overthrowing the Government.

A Government spokesman said that only a police colonel was killed in the riots, and that the number of arrested, both Communists and anti-Communists, "was not large." They will be tried by military tribunals, he added.

Meanwhile, afternoon papers here today reported that the first unit of the Abadan refinery to resume operations since the departure of British technicians suspended work today because "all tanks were full." It was producing over 11 million litres daily.

The Oil Committee today told Premier Mossadegh that it favoured selling Iranian oil to all comers, without waiting for the former customers, who have priority of the right to purchase.

Deny Charge

LONDON, Saturday (Reuter). — The Anglo-Iranian Oil Company today denied a charge by the organ of Mossadegh's National front that several newspapers attacked in disturbances in Teheran on Thursday were "financed by the former Anglo-Iranian Oil Company."

Big Four Consider Nervo Memorandum

PARIS, Saturday (Reuter).—The Big Four disarmament sub-committee met here today to consider a "skeleton agreement" memorandum from Dr. Luis Padilla Nervo of Mexico, President of the General Assembly and Chairman of the sub-committee.

They will meet again on Monday — when they are due to report back to the Political Committee — Dr. Nervo said afterwards.

He added he would prepare a final memorandum over the weekend, taking into consideration views expressed by the Soviet delegation and those of the U.S., Britain and France.

Dr. Nervo in a statement to the press said his memorandum submitted to the Big Four disarmament sub-committee yesterday made it clear there was still fundamental disagreement between both sides, especially on the question of "the immediate and unconditional prohibition of the atomic bomb."

British Envoy Takes Up Post

LYDDA AIRPORT, Saturday. —Britain's second Minister to Israel, Sir Francis Evans, arrived here yesterday morning in a Royal Air Force Valetta that made the cross from Cyprus in 75 minutes.

Gathered to welcome the new Minister and Lady Evans were Mr. Yohanan Meroz and Mrs. L. Kaddar, on behalf of the Foreign Ministry; Mr. Y. Kimche, private secretary to the President; Mr. O. C. W. Fuhrman, the Australian Minister; Mr. John Chadwick, British Charge d'Affaires, Mr. Russell Landale, First Secretary, Mr. John Wraight, Commercial Attache, Mr. Ivor Thomas, Labour Attache, Mr. David Edwards, Assistant Attache, Colonel Peter Pender-Culipp, Military Attache and Wing Commander Anthony O'Neill, Air Attache.

Sir F. Evans

Many wives of Legation staff members were out on the steps of the Airport building and one of them, Mrs. Thomas, wife of the Labour Attache, presented Lady Evans with a bouquet of roses.

Before driving off to Tel Aviv with a police escort, Sir Francis told newspapermen that he had spent a week in Cyprus with his predecessor, Sir Knox Helm. Both Sir Knox and Mr. Eliahu Elath, Israel's Minister in London, had told him of the welcome he would receive from a country in whose aspirations and ambitions he had always been interested.

Expressing his grief at the condition of the President, Sir Francis said he sincerely hoped that it would not be long before Dr. Weizmann was fully recovered. "That is the wish of a great many people in the United Kingdom," he added.

Formerly Consul-General in New York, the new Minister said he had never before been in this part of the world. "I've spent 26 years between the U.S. and the Panama Canal," he said.

"Another 26 between Israel and the Suez?" he said in reply to a question. "That's too much to hope for."

World Bank Offers Oil Mediation

WASHINGTON, Saturday (Reuter). — The World Bank has told both Britain and Persia that it would be willing to use its good offices in the Anglo-Iranian oil crisis if both Governments were interested in having it do so.

The bank's press officer said today this was the bank's basic position on the matter. He denied that the institution had made any specific proposals for settlement to either Government.

The Bank's Vice President, Mr. Robert Garner, has been in London and has discussed the situation with officials there.

Korea Truce Talks At Stalemate

TOKYO, Saturday (Reuter). — Communists rejected every major U.N. demand at today's meeting of truce negotiators in Panmunjom.

The U.N. delegate, General Turner, told correspondents the negotiators had reached a stalemate. They have only 19 days left before the provisional agreement on the already agreed armistice line expires.

An Allied spokesman listed these five main points flatly rejected by the Communists:

- No reconstruction or building of airfields during an armistice;
- Continued U.N. occupation of islands off north Korea's coast;
- A single armistice commission;
- Rotation but limitation of military forces and equipment, and
- Observation of rear areas—including air reconnaissance—by both sides.

There was little ground fighting today, but Allied air and sea power struck widely separated targets in Korea.

The U.S. cruiser, Rochester, and an escorting destroyer steamed into Hungnam harbour, in the north-west of Korea, and bombarded shore installations.

The Eighth Army said today U.N. troops hacked their way through a Communist company to rescue an encircled Allied patrol.

During the morning session the Allied delegates repeated their intention of keeping islands off North Korea's coast unless "appropriate" adjustments were made. Gen Turner told correspondents, "The Communists insist we give them up without adjustment."

He said they also discussed the Allied right to sail the high seas north of the demilitarized zones. "During the discussions we made it clear to them that our naval forces will withdraw from the Communist coast to a distance of three miles required by international law. But we do not intend to surrender our rights to sail the high seas, as they insist."

Peking Radio accused the U.N. of "plotting to bring troops into Korea during an armistice period." It said Communist delegates at Panmunjom "have stated most strongly they will never give U.N. personnel freedom to wander unchecked behind our lines in Korea."

Le'Abdut Ha'Avoda To Stay in Mapam

TEL AVIV, Saturday. — The Le'abdut Ha'avoda faction of Mapam, which met here last night and today, reportedly decided not to sever its association with Mapam, but to increase its efforts for a Zionist policy within the party.

Dr. Moshe Sneh's policy was particularly attacked by speakers, and the unreserved attachment to the Cominform of the Riftin-Sneh faction within Mapam was deplored.

The caucus was opened by Mr. Israel Galili and Mr. D. Livshits last night. Mr. Yitzhak Tabenkin and Mr. Israel Bar Yehuda were among today's speakers.

SWEDISH TEAM WINS FINAL GAME

TEL AVIV, Saturday. — The Swedish Malmo football team won the third and final game of the Israel tour when they beat a combined Hapoel-Maccabi Tel Aviv team at the Hapoel grounds in Jaffa today. The final score was 5 to 0. The match was watched by 18,000 people. All five goals were scored in the second half, four of them in the last 25 minutes.

Both sides appeared to be evenly matched in the first half of the game. The first goal was scored in the seventh minute of the second half, while the others were scored in the 33rd, 37th, 40 minutes and half a minute before the end. The first and last goals were scored by Riddel, the Swedish centre forward; Tilberg, the inside left, scored the second while Johansen, the outside right, scored the others. The visitors are leaving Israel by air tomorrow afternoon.

Prayers Recited For President; Condition Grave

REHOVOT, Saturday. — An aggravation in the condition of President Weizmann was reported by his doctors today, and according to information here the President has been in a state of coma since yesterday. Three bulletins were issued today by the President's doctors, Professor S. Zondek and Dr. M. Yoel.

The first, published by the President's Office at midday, reported that the action of the heart and of the blood vessels had weakened, causing a general aggravation. The others, issued at 5.30 and 8 p.m., reported no change. A later report at 9.30 added that "while there was no change in the President's health, he was feeling slightly better."

Prayers for Dr. Weizmann's speedy recovery were recited in synagogues throughout the country today.

The bulletin issued at midday on Friday revealed that Dr. Weizmann had suffered a heart attack on Thursday night, and stated that his general condition showed frequent variations, with some improvement in the morning after the night's attack.

The serious concern felt throughout the country is reflected by the large number of telephone calls being received by Rehovot residents.

Although no one but Mrs. Weizmann, the President's doctors and his nurses is allowed in Dr. Weizmann's room, many prominent personalities called at the President's residence here today to inquire after his condition.

The callers included the Knesset Speaker Mr. Y. Sprinzak; the Minister of Police, Mr. Behor Shitreet; the President's brother, Moshe, and his sister, Mrs. Haya Lichtenstein; Mr. Z. Shareff, Secretary to the Government; Mrs. Hadassah Samuel; and Dr. B. Bloch.

PRIME MINISTER TOURS NEGEV

Prime Minister Ben Gurion, Mr. Levi Eshkol, Minister of Agriculture and Development, and Rav Aluf Yigael Yadin, Chief of the General Staff, accompanied by other high officials, toured the central and southern areas of the Negev at the end of last week.

Their tour included various army camps, quarries and sites of new roads; Yutvata, a Nahal settlement; Beer Ora, a Gadna settlement; and Elath. They returned in an army plane.

'Most Satisfactory' Talks With British—Adenauer

LONDON, Saturday.—Leaving for Bonn today, Dr. Adenauer, the West German Chancellor, said that the results of his talks here had been "most satisfactory" and so had been the personal contacts he had made. In a press conference yesterday, he stated that he had made it clear to Premier Churchill that Germany could not accept the loss of the territories east of the Oder-Neisse line.

Allied restrictions on German industry would disappear when the Schuman plan came into operation, he said. The future of German war criminals had also been discussed.

Adenauer also stated that the Western powers had agreed in Paris last month that Germany should have a free seat at the conference table when a German peace treaty was negotiated.

He stated that he did not think that Germany could be united by having a central government under Four-power supervision, because this would be a return to Potsdam which would not be acceptable to the Western world.

In reply to questions, he said that the wrongs done by the Nazis to the Jewish people were a heavy moral burden on the German people. "The Federal Government will make efforts to repair what has been done." Restitution negotiations had hitherto been handicapped, he claimed, by the fact that various Jewish organizations had not been able to appoint a common representative to deal with the Germans. This had now been corrected and talks could start.

Demonstrators in London's Piccadilly Circus yesterday protested against Adenauer's visit. Young men shouted "go home Adenauer" and placards were carried up and down saying "The Nazis killed our children—remember?" and "No arms for the Germans."

(Reuter, UP, INA)

(See Goldmann, Page 3, Col. 4)

E. Germany Accepts U.N. Invitation

BERLIN, Saturday (Reuter). — East Germany tonight officially accepted the U.N. invitation to send a delegation to Paris to present to the General Assembly their view on all-German elections.

The announcement was made in a statement published here tonight after a special session of the East German Ministers Council. The Council appointed the following delegates to Paris:

Dr. Lothan Bolz, Deputy Premier and Chairman of the East German National Democratic Party;

Mr. Otto Nuschke, Deputy Premier and Chairman of the East German Christian Democratic Party;

Mr. Friedrich Ebert, East Berlin Lord Mayor and a member of the East German Socialist Unity Party (Communist), and Mr. Anton Ackerman, State Secretary in the Foreign Office and a member of the East German Socialist Unity Party.

The delegation is due to fly to Paris tomorrow.

3 MILLION WITNESSES

PARIS, Saturday (Reuter). — A West German representative told the U.N. Ad Hoc Political Committee today he could call 3,000,000 refugees from the Soviet Zone of Germany to testify about conditions under the Communist regime.

He was Dr. Heinrich von Brentano, parliamentary leader of the West Germans. Dr. Herman Schafer, Vice-President of the West German Parliament, and Professor Ernst Reuter, Mayor of West Berlin — were giving their views on Western resolution calling for an impartial commission to investigate possibilities for free and secret elections in East and West Germany.

The Committee decided to hear the West Germans even though no East German representative had yet arrived.

WEAK POUND SHOWS ISRAEL PROBLEMS

WASHINGTON, Saturday (UP). — The "Foreign Commerce Weekly," an official publication of the U.S. Commerce Department, said yesterday that Israel's financial difficulties were reflected "in a weakening of the Israel Pound on the free markets abroad, reaching a new low of $0.67, and in the rise in prices for Dollar transfers and gold on the Tel Aviv Grey Market."

Last-Minute Egyptian Call Averts Suez Clash

British Jets, Tanks Move In

SUEZ, Saturday.—Pending instructions from Cairo, the Egyptian authorities today called off a police action "to meet force with force," in resisting 6,000 British troops concentrated in the area. The Governor of Suez, Ibrahim Zaki el-Kholi, ordered the police to stop their march after British combat troops, spearheaded by a crack parachute brigade, and protected by RAF jet fighters, dug into position.

The British troops, supported by tanks, artillery and armoured cars were constructing a rescue road to a virtually isolated water filtration plant, in order to enable convoys to the police, according to an official announcement.

The Champollion, which has special fittings for the transport of munitions, sailed on Friday for Alexandria.

In so doing they were using giant Centurion tanks to smash down 50 Egyptian mud huts which were obstructing progress. Egyptian protests against the demolitions last night had been rejected by General Erskine, British Commander in the area.

British artillery ringed the area and road blocks were thrown up. The municipal authorities of Suez were reported to have requested action to prevent a clash in view of the dangerous situation.

Emergency Proclaimed

As tension rose, the Egyptian Government proclaimed a state of emergency in Cairo and Alexandria. Steel helmeted police mounted guard at key buildings and communications with Suez were cut.

A British military spokesman said today that one-eighth of the 500-yard road had been finished without incident and it was hoped to have the work completed by sundown.

A communique issued by the Ministry of the Interior in Cairo admitted that the British had already started work on the new road and that police forces "moved under serious conditions but could not get close enough, due to long-range British guns, and because British concentrations were out of reach of their firearms."

The communique reiterated that strict orders had been issued to the police to carry out yesterday's cabinet decision to use force to prevent the road building operations.

(UP, Reuter)

Ammunition Bound For Egypt Seized

A routine search Thursday of the s.s. Champollion, a French merchant ship bound for Egypt, revealed 1,881 cases containing 150,000 75-mm. anti-aircraft shells. The cases were turned over to the police, according to an official announcement.

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U.N. Recommends Italy As Member

PARIS, Saturday (Reuter). — The U.N. General Assembly today overwhelmingly recommended admitting Italy to full membership of the U.N. — the Eastern Block voting against.

The Assembly had earlier considered a Trusteeship Committee report recommending that Italy be allowed to take part in the work of the Committee. The Soviet representative, opposing this suggestion, had explained that Italy could not participate in the work of the Committee until she was a U.N. member.

The USSR had never objected to the admission of Italy on a basis of equality with other applicants, but the West had discriminated against these others, and since it was continuing to do so, the Soviet Union would demonstrate its disapproval by opposing the admission of Italy, he said.

Previously the Assembly had rejected a Soviet resolution calling for a cessation of U.S. interference in Greece, and approved a report by the Ad Hoc Political Committee dealing with "threats to the political independence and territorial integrity of Greece."

The Assembly refused to reconsider a Committee decision that the credentials of Nationalist China were valid. The Byelorussian representative argued against this, stating that the Chinese Nationalist representatives were a group of political bankrupts representing nobody.

The Soviet representative, Mr. Jakob Malik, asked for permission to explain the vote he was about to cast on this subject, but Sir Gladwyn Jebb, the British representative, acting as Chairman, refused to let him do so.

SCHUMAN COAL-IRON PLAN ENDANGERED

PARIS, Saturday (Reuter).—President Auriol was called out of bed early today to preside over an emergency Cabinet meeting, called in a bid to save the Schuman coal and steel pool plan. The outcome was that a vote of confidence will be taken on the issue next Tuesday.

Britain and Jordan Agree on Loan Terms

LONDON, Saturday, (Reuter). — A draft agreement for a British loan to Jordan was approved in London today for submission to the two governments.

A British Treasury official said that no details would be released until it had been accepted by both sides. The draft agreement had been drawn up by Jordanian and British financial experts here after months of negotiations.

Usually well informed quarters understood that it is in two parts. One covers the release of Jordan's Sterling balances for expenditure in the current year and the other is thought to concern a small development loan for irrigation, communications, and the cement industry in Jordan.

The proportion of Jordan's Sterling balances to be released is a matter of annual negotiation between the two countries.

Last year Britain made £2,500,000 available but it was thought that this year the sum would be rather smaller, since the total Jordan asse's in blocked Sterling had fallen.

McGhee Appointed U.S. Envoy to Turkey

KEY WEST, FLORIDA, Saturday (Reuter).—President Truman today appointed Mr. George C. McGhee, now Assistant Secretary of State, as Ambassador to Turkey.

George McGhee

He succeeds Mr. George Wadsworth both as Ambassador and Chief of the American Mission for Aid to Turkey.

The President accepted Mr. Wadsworth's resignation effective upon his return to the U.S. for reassignment with a letter praising him for his record of service and saying, "Your work in Turkey has been particularly outstanding."

Share-Out of M.E. Aid After Survey—Locke

NEW YORK, Saturday (INA). — Mr. Edwin Locke, Jnr., U.S. Coordinator of Economic and Technical Aid for the Middle East, told a press conference yesterday that the exact distribution of the $160m. proposed for technical and economic aid for the Middle East will be decided only after a careful survey of the area's needs.

Mr. Locke flew to Paris today to consult the delegations of the countries of this area which are now attending the U.N. General Assembly's meeting. From there he will go to Beirut, where he will establish his headquarters.

Egypt Not to Support Iraq Stand on Syria

CAIRO, Saturday (Reuter). — Egypt has told a Syrian military mission which last Cairo today that she will "not support an Iraqi move not to recognize the new Syrian regime" which came into power six days ago.

Giving this assurance to the mission, Egyptian Prime Minister Nahas Pasha said Egypt's attitude towards the coup d'etat — which was led by Colonel Adib Shishakli, Syrian Army Chief of Staff — was "one of strict neutrality."

Harvard-Israel Study For Legal System

BOSTON, Saturday (INA).—Cooperative research by the Harvard Law School and Israel was announced here today, to be known as the Harvard Law School and Israel Joint Research Project for the Legal Development of Israel.

Harvard Law School researchers will be made available to the Ministry of Justice of Israel in its task of developing a unified system of law which will meet the needs of a modern, state and at the same time reflect the traditions of the Government of Israel.

The cooperative law project was announced by Ambassador Abba Eban, Mr. Erwin Griswold of the Harvard Law School, and Mr. David F. Cavern, Assistant Dean in charge of the Schools research programme. It has been approved by Dr. Dov Joseph, Israel Minister of Justice.

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Social & Personal

A portrait-drawing of President Weizmann by Mr. Anton Jarosy of Jerusalem has been presented to the Hebrew University by Mr. Sigmund Morey of New York.

A branch of the Rotary International was opened in Nahariya last week. The Club, which has 20 members, was addressed by Mr. J.L. Watson. It is Israel's fourth Rotary Club, the other three being Jerusalem, Haifa and Tel Aviv-Jaffa.

Mr. W.W. Goldin, M.Sc., Director of Wind Research for the British National Utilities Board, will speak on "Windpower Electricity Generation" at 5 o'clock on Monday evening at the Haifa Technion.

A Spinoza Commemoration Day meeting will be held by the Spinoza Society at the Haifa Technion at 8.15 on Monday evening.

The Jerusalem Artists will demonstrate the processes of graphic arts at 5.00 o'clock tomorrow evening at the Artists' House in Jerusalem.

BRITH MILAH

The Brith Milah of Eliahu Zeev Lewin-Epstein, son of Dr. Yaacov and Marion Lewin-Epstein, will take place at 3 p.m. on Thursday, December 13, at their residence, 267 Street of the Prophets, Jerusalem. This is the only intimation.

OBITUARY

Mrs. Doris Weiss

The death took place in Jerusalem on December 8 of Mrs. Doris Weiss (née Pfeffermann), at the age of 75. She is survived by her husband, Ludwig Weiss, her daughter, Mrs. Hilda Wolff, and two grand daughters. The funeral will leave at 11 o'clock this morning from 25 Rehov Ramban.

RABBI HARLAP NOTED SCHOLAR

Rabbi Ya'akov Moshe Harlap, who after a prolonged illness died at the age of 69 on Thursday in his home in the Sha'arei Hessed Quarter of Jerusalem, was one of the foremost Jewish religious leaders and scholars of his generation.

Born in Jerusalem, where he served until his passing as the community rabbi of Rehavia and Sha'arei Hessed, he had been a colleague of the late Chief Rabbi Avraham Yitzhak Kook and is understood to have been among those considered to succeed him as Chief Rabbi. Rabbi Harlap presided over Yeshivat Merkaz Harav from its founding by Rabbi Kook in 1921 until his death last week. He had himself founded Bet Zvul, an academy for higher talmudic study.

A disciple of the famous Rabbi Yitzhak Yeruham Diskin, Rabbi Harlap's scholarly works in the field of Jewish law, legend and philosophy include the two-volume work "Bet Zvul," "Mei Marom," a commentary on Maimonides' "Eight Chapters" (an introduction to his commentary on the Mishna), a commentary on works of Rabbi Kook and a book on the Psalms, scheduled to come off the press shortly.

Chief Rabbis Herzog and Uziel and Mayor Shragai were among those who eulogized the late scholar at funeral services attended by members of the Cabinet and Knesset, religious leaders and public figures from all parts of the country.

EMERGENCY PHARMACIES

JERUSALEM: Alba, Rehov Jaffa. Zion Circle, 3706. Beit Israel, Beit Israel, 3232.

TEL AVIV: Britt, 17 Allenby, 4853. Shilman, 57 Ahad Ha'am, 4091. Merkaz Hatzafon, 20 Ben Yehuda, 2923. Moskovitz, 25 King Georges, 2650. Ziva, Hatikva Qr., 67403. Jaffa (Jaffa) 10 Rehov 4, 90706. Ramat Yitzhak: Mazor, 59 Rehov Givat Hamshara: Ramban.

HAIFA: Geulah, 12 Hermon, 4634. Hakohev, 26 Wadi Salib. Kiryat Motzkin: Shomron, 7302.

ON THE AIR

JERUSALEM: 467 M.; HAIFA: 260 M.; TEL AVIV: 48.8, 33.3 & 422 M.

NEWS: Hebrew: 7 a.m., 1.30, 6, 8.30 and 11.00 p.m.; **English:** 7 and 9.30 p.m. **Arabic Programme** (including News): 8 a.m., 2.15 and 7.15 p.m.; **French:** 2 p.m. **Turkish:** 10 a.m.

6.30 a.m. Service. **6.35** Exercises. **6.45** Musical Clock (R). **7.15** Melodies. **7.45** Oriental Music: R. Amar. **8.30** Close Down.

10.30 a.m. Musical Miniatures (R). **11.00** Concert Hall: Overture "Russian Easter Festival" (Rimsky-Korsakoff); Piano Concerto No. 2 (Chopin); Havanic Rhapsody (Pierné). **12.00** N. Break for Music (R). **12.30** Programme for Hospitals. **1.00** Soldiers' Programme. **1.45** Housewives' Corner. **2.15** Protestant Service.

4.00 p.m. Dance Music. **4.30** Recital: Sascha Parnes and Alexander Shockers. **4.45** Film Review. **5.00** Programme for Yemenites. **5.30** Musical Programme. Announcements. **5.35** Kol Yisrael Orchestra. Conductor: Hannan Schlesinger; Soloist: Yonah Blank: Operas. **6.15** Talk. **6.30** Children's Hour. **7.00** Agricultural Corner. **7.45** Bible Reading. **8.00** Soldiers' Programme. **8.45** Israel Philharmonic Orchestra. Conductor: George Singer: Overture "Yingal's Cave" (Mendelssohn); Symphony No. 4 (Martinu). **9.45** "The Citizen Wants to Know." **10.00** From the World of Music. **10.30** Dance Music (R). **11.05** Close Down.

Immigrants' Hour (33.3 & 460 M.): **6.30 p.m. French:** 7.00 p.m. **Ladino:** 7.30 **Yiddish.**

Kol Zion Lagola (33.3 M.): 11.30 p.m. Newsreel. **11.45** "Personal Column": Walter Eytan. **12.00** The Braintrust in Tel Aviv.

B.B.C. HEBREW BROADCASTS (31.32 & 42.06 M.): **6.30** News. **6.40** News Talks. **6.45** Programme Parade. **8.45** Music.

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First Steps Toward Arab Cooperatives

By GIDEON WEIGERT

The cooperative movement among Israel's Arab population has been badly neglected. Neither adequate government support nor the necessary means of development have been given to it, and valuable time has been lost in an important field of endeavour.

Israel inherited little within this realm from the Mandatory Government. According to statistics submitted to the Anglo-American Committee of Inquiry, there were some 240 cooperatives serving Palestine's one million Arabs — but the bulk of these existed on paper alone and functioned solely within the confines of governmental files. There were no Arab cooperatives at all in the building and housing schemes, or in insurance and allied fields. The Mandatory regime, however, did establish 135 loan cooperatives to encourage farmers.

Israel's first attempts to revive the Arab cooperative movement date back to 1949, when steps were taken to facilitate the creation of cooperatives, mainly in Galilee and Nazareth. But in the entire "triangle" which has some 30,000 inhabitants, the first cooperatives are only now being organized.

Marketing Co-ops

Half of the existing organizations market agricultural produce, while the other 44 are producer and consumer concerns. Most of these are affiliated with the Histadrut's Department of Economic Affairs among Arab villagers. The remainder are associated with the Communist Trade Union Workers Congress in Nazareth. Even according to official figures, the latter has a far larger membership.

Progress in the cooperative marketing of farm produce has been negligible. The only truly cooperative part of the entire procedure appears to be the concentration and transport of produce, and the maintaining of special markets in Acre and Haifa by 25 cooperatives.

Financial aid for the movement has been limited to a one-time allocation granted by the Ministry of Labour and the Histadrut, totalling in all IL. 30,000.

Attention was focused on this situation recently by the Ministry of Labour's periodical "Yarhon Ha-avodah" which admits that the Arab cooperative movement is still very much in its initial stages. But even though such admissions are, in themselves, hopeful signs, Israel officialdom has apparently not fully realized that the entire problem differs markedly from that of Jewish cooperatives and is therefore to be approached in a wholly different fashion.

Party Work

To date, the only activities of the Cooperative Section of the Ministry of Labour among Arabs have been the registration of Arab co-ops and their legal supervision. From time to time, they have been visited and there have been infrequent lectures on cooperatives and their affairs in various Arab villages. But the day-to-day work has been left almost completely to the political parties with which the co-ops are affiliated. Nothing has been done about the further inculcation of the theory or practice of the cooperative movement as such.

There are, of course, a myriad of obstacles to be overcome. The Ministry of Labour lacks the required staff, suitable transport, funds and so forth. But it would seem that something can be done by way of attempting to overcome any of these obstacles.

Recently, the Ministry announced that it has set aside a number of vacancies for Arab candidates in a one-year course for cooperative instructors. But the Ministry has not grasped that there are practically no such candidates available as yet—who can undertake a full course in Hebrew. While other Ministeries, such as Education, Welfare, Religious Affairs, began a long time ago to run separate courses for would-be Arab instructors, the Co-operative Section of the Ministry of Labour still envisages such courses as impracticable.

Partnership with Tnuva

The promotion of Arab co-operatives is a venture which would prove beneficial not only economically, but socially and even politically. That something can be done in this direction without undue complications or even vast expenditures was proven by the recently-established "Bustan el Carmel" company, given the concession of marketing all Arab produce in the country. One third of the company's representative capital was invested by the network of Arab coops, the remaining two-thirds covered by "Tnuva" and the Jewish retail merchant society.

This is the last of a series of articles on Israel's Arabs

Avtulah Finds A New Game

By Rose Carlin

HE looks like a little old man. A greyish robe reaches to his ankles, a blue cap on his head, a round protruding little stomach. He is three and his name is Avtulah.

He was playing a game, this child of the Talpiot Ma'abara whose parents came from Tripolitania. It was a kind of competition of throwing stones over a fence. Who could throw it without any misses and how far? Avtulah was not far behind the rest. He ran, came back with a handful of stones and threw them over one by one without missing many.

When the last stone was over the fence, the older boys ran off in search of other amusement and Avtulah was left behind. "Look what I found!" his sister called. She held up a broken spool which she picked up from the ground.

Avtulah was uncertain about the new toy. He took it in his hand, examined it, and grinned broadly. Here was something else to play with, something as good as stones. He stuck the spool into his mouth and tried to whistle.

It will be a happy day for Avtulah when a friend gives him a prettier toy for Hanukka.

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FROM FRIDAY'S PRESS:

Right Wing Claims Capital Profits Tax Will Ruin Industry

"Haboker" (General Zionist) calls Mr. Kaplan's budget inflationary, and asks that he acknowledge this fact openly. It expresses the hope that the Knesset will not pass the capital profits tax, since this would lead to liquidation of the country's largest enterprises — those which provide the bulk of the national income.

"Davar" (Histadrut) says that the public welcomes the proposed tax changes, and especially the granting of equal status to married women, many of whom will now return to work. There has been some disappointment in the medium income brackets, but it should be remembered that Mr. Kaplan has promised further tax reforms.

Those who earn the most will now have no reason to complain that they are "compelled" to evade the income tax, on the plea that the regulations restrict private initiative, "Davar" continues. It must be assumed that even stricter controls will be carried out from now on to prevent any tax evasion.

Sacrifice for All

"Al Hamishmar" points out that the Treasury has adopted several proposals made by Mapam two years ago, i.e., a compulsory internal loan. The paper demands that the sacrifices asked by Mr. Kaplan should be made by all, that austerity should apply to all classes, and that the effort demanded should not be coupled with a "discipline imposed from above and tantamount to a negation of the rights of the public."

"Kol Ha'am" (Communist) criticizes the agreement between the Government and the Potash Company, maintaining that the interests of this country require the abolition of the foreign concession and the nationalization of the Company in order to foster the economic development of the country.

There can no doubt by now that the seamen have lost their struggle against the Histadrut — says "Ha'aretz" (Independent) in an editorial. "This is shown by the fact that the seamen are not renewing their demand for a special status for their union which was the original reason for the present dispute. Of their four present demands, only the second might be difficult for the Histadrut to accept: i.e., the demand that the Secretariat should continue in office until elections take place.

It should not be forgotten, the paper says, that the members of the secretariat are those mainly responsible for the walkout and the ensuing developments. However, the Histadrut is asked to recognize them only temporarily, and it should do so. "Ha'aretz" advises. It is to be hoped that once the affair is settled the real reasons for this conflict will be reexamined. An impression has been formed that the Haifa Labour Council has been too heavy-handed in its relations with the seamen. The Histadrut Executive should not repeat the mistakes made when the Palmach H.Q. was dissolved, and should display magnanimity now that the opposition has been broken.

"Al Hamishmar" complains that the Mapai majority in the Histadrut Executive could not forget for a moment its narrow party view, and spurned the outstretched hand of the seamen. The members of the seamen's delegation were not even allowed to appear in the Executive session as they had requested.

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9-2: "Archaeological Exhibition: Dept. of Antiquities: 25 Rehov Shlomo Hamelech.

10-5: Sanhedria Tombs.

10-1; 4-7: Exhibition of Printed Graphic by Israel artists & Exhibition of Silk-screen prints by Joel Rohr at the Artists' House.

11.30-12.30: Film Shows of Israel: Keren Hayesod Head Office.

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10-4: Retrospective exhibition of the works of Joseph Zaretzki: Israel Collection: Diaspora Artists' Paintings; Selected Works of English and American Painters; Art in the 19th and 20th Cent.; Old Paintings, Bezalel Museum.

5 p.m.: "Of Mice and Men": Chamber Theatre, Mograbi Hall.

HAIFA

8 a.m.-5.30 p.m.: Theological and Scientific Library—Central Synagogue Bldg., Rehov Gilad.

11 a.m.-6 p.m.: Exhibition of paintings by A. Millich, Museum, Town Hall.

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Human Rights Day will be celebrated tomorrow in all schools. The importance and meaning of the Declaration of Human Rights will be discussed in the higher grades. Kol Yisrael's Children's Hour will be dedicated to the same subject.

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Lea Fastinger, an 18-year old Hungarian immigrant, has been reported missing from her home in Kfar Minbat (Malcha), a Jerusalem suburb.

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Mrs. Clara Yehoshua, 27 Rehov Ha'aliya, Jerusalem was stabbed in the arm in a family quarrel yesterday. Her husband, Moshe Yehoshua, was arrested.

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Charged with possessing 105 grams of hashish and 15.5 grams of opium, Avraham ben Abraham, Khalil Jabar Jabbar and Shlomo Jacobson of Tel Aviv were released on bail by the Tel Aviv Magistrate on Friday. ... **Mendel Bran**, 31, of Tel Aviv, was sentenced to six months imprisonment by the Tel Aviv Magistrate's Court on Friday for stealing IL.200-worth of goods from hotels and private apartments in Tel Aviv during September and October. ... **Charged** with "creating a disturbance in a public place while intoxicated," Aharon Zerhani, 30, of Tel Aviv, was remanded on bail on Friday. He had repeatedly rapped on the door of the Jaffa Prison.

10th ANNIVERSARY OF 'NORMAN FUND'

TEL AVIV, Saturday. — The tenth anniversary of the establishment of the American Fund for Israel Institutions the "Norman Fund" will be marked next week by special meetings in New York and Tel Aviv. The local celebrations will take place at the Tel Aviv Museum, probably at the beginning of next week, while the American celebrations will take the form of a presentation of Israel music, ballet and theatre at the Organization's annual dinner concert at the Waldorf-Astoria on December 17. The programme will include Lily Pons, Andre Kostelanetz conducting the Philadelphia Symphony Orchestra, Jerome Robbins, Nora Kaye and Lee Strassberg, directing a scene from an Israel play.

TRIBUTE PAID TO AIR CRASH DEAD

TEL AVIV, Saturday. — Tribute was paid to the six crew members killed in the recent El Al crash, and to the 17-year-old pilot who died in a Haifa air accident last week at a meeting of the Aviation Centre held at the Wizo Restaurant here yesterday.

The speaker at the meeting was Mr. Robert Ashton, of the International Civil Aeronautics Organization, who is at present advising the Government Department of Civil Aviation on training problems, with specific reference to air crew training.

On this subject Mr. Ashton said that the proof of efficiency was how readily the licences issued by one state were accepted by another. "There is no compulsion on a state to recognize a licence issued by another state," Mr. Ashton pointed out.

He said that in the civil aviation world a reputation was built up very slowly — and lost very quickly. This was very closely connected with training, with which Mr. Ashton said he was at present concerned in this country.

Sick Rations Only For T.B. and Diabetes

TEL AVIV, Saturday. — The quantity of extra food placed at the disposal of sick persons by the Food Controller is sufficient only for T.B. patients and persons suffering from diabetes, the Tel Aviv branch of the Israel Medical Association reported here yesterday. This statement followed discussions between the Association and the Food Controller last week.

The Association said that it could not accept responsibility regarding extra rations for other patients, and was not satisfied with the position. The announcement said that the doctors would continue to press for extra rations for other sick persons as well.

Ration News

JERUSALEM — Recipients: 250 grams, Sheva 6 Yod 42, Clementine: 500 grams, zone 6, Kaf 22.

The following minimum prices have been fixed by the Ministry of Agriculture for farm products: Potatoes, 55 pruta a kilogram; Tomatoes, 60 pruta; Carrots, 40 pruta.

Personal Notice

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Israel is U.S. Friend, Says Morgenthau

TEL AVIV, Saturday. — Mr. Henry Morgenthau Jr., Chairman of the Israel Independence Bond Drive, said here that he would endeavour to raise money as long as there was one needy Jew in the world. He was speaking at the 200th Vocal Newspaper of the Journalists Association last night. Mr. Y. Hefman, president of the Association, was in the chair.

Mr. Morgenthau said that he did not believe there would be a world war soon. Israel, he said, was a friend of the U.S. in the Middle East, together with Turkey and Greece, and the U.S. would not forsake them.

Mr. E. Livneh, M.K., said that the standard of living here must drop and productivity must rise if the State is to survive. He expressed his opinion that it was not fair that the Schmorak report had not been published in time.

Mr. Livneh also advocated selective immigration, proposing that primarily immigrants capable of productive work should be admitted at this stage of the Ingathering.

'Penniless' Migdal Woman's Bequest

MIGDAL ASCALON, Saturday (ITIM). — The only Jew living here when the Israel Defence Forces captured the town, 70-year-old Rabel Lea Lindesbaum, who died last week, announced two days before her death that she had gold coin and foreign currency which she wished to bequeath to the local synagogue. She had been thought to be penniless and had lately been on the Welfare Ministry's rolls. When the police searched her home they found about 20 gold sovereigns and £150 in notes.

During the Arab occupation of Majdal she had been regarded by her Arab neighbours as a Christian, and was known to them as "Moscoviah." When Israel forces entered the town she pointed out to them the graves of Jews killed at Nitzanim and identified several local Arabs who had mutilated the bodies.

ELECTRICITY CUTS DUE TO INSPECTION

TEL AVIV, Saturday. — Short electricity cuts, of up to 15 minutes duration each, may be enforced during the evening hours for the next two or three weeks, the Palestine Electric Corporation announced here yesterday. The cuts are necessitated by the annual inspection of the generating plant and equipment.

The P.E.C. again reminds the public that the use of all electric heaters is strictly forbidden.

TRENK TRIAL ENDED

TEL AVIV, Saturday (ITIM). — The trial of Ilse Trenk, charged with war crimes before the District Court here, was wound up yesterday with the summing up speeches by prosecution and defence attorneys. Judgment will be given next Friday.

Safety Without Hard Currency

A number of important measures to reduce the country's high traffic accident rate could be taken immediately and at little expense, according to traffic experts.

"Too many officials have developed the 'foreign exchange complex,'" several authorities noted. "As soon as any improvement is requested they bounce back with the plea that it cannot be done because it would require hard currency."

This is true in a very limited sense insofar as traffic safety needs are concerned. Such improvements as broad highways permitting one-way flow of traffic are an ideal solution for one of the traffic ills, but would be extremely costly. More traffic lights are required but here foreign exchange is needed. An effort is now being made to manufacture these locally, but foreign currency for the purchase of large quantities of electric wire cannot be allocated just now.

Sidewalk Building

"In any case, these would not remedy the situation unless a number of smaller things were done simultaneously," all the experts agreed. "Why don't the Municipalities enforce the ordinances requiring homeowners to build sidewalks? Many accidents are caused because the pedestrian is forced to walk in the street. And we know that most people would risk death rather than dirty their shoes on a dirt walk."

Ma'barot areas are especially in need of some kind of sidewalk, either of stones or concrete, to keep the residents from walking on the highway. These centres also need specially designated crossing points, which must be respected by both the pedestrian and driver.

Another improvement advocated by the traffic experts is the abolition of the practice which permits only traffic police to enforce the traffic regulations. The police in other departments are not encouraged to be on the lookout for offenders. "This is a carryover from the Mandatory traffic police who jealously guarded this prerogative since it brought them an extra income," it was pointed out.

Other necessary improvements are: more one-way streets to permit parking and the free flow of traffic, stricter supervision of animal-drawn vehicles and push-carts, possibly banning them from the busy streets and inspecting them to make certain each has a good reflector. Tests for drivers' licences should be even more difficult than they are now, it was recommended, and experienced drivers, especially those driving buses and trucks, should be compelled to attend monthly safety lectures and films. Here the drivers and police could meet to discuss mutual problems.

8 HURT WHEN STEERING GEAR BREAKS DOWN

REHOVOT, Saturday. — Eight persons were injured, five of them being detained in hospital, in a road accident near here today.

Driving his truck from Ramle towards Kfar Bilu, Shimon Wolf, 23, of Ramle, suddenly lost control of his vehicle when the steering mechanism broke. The lorry swerved to the left, knocking down three cyclists, and then overturned in a ditch. Five hitch-hikers were thrown off and hurt, but the driver was unharmed. The injured included a 14-month-old baby girl and her father who were riding on the lorry.

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Two Beduin Tribes To be Moved

GAMLE, Saturday (ITIM). — Two Beduin tribes are to move within the next two weeks from their present area on Sabach-Shaal lands in the Negev to new homes east of Beersheba. The lands on which they are now encamped are to be handed over by the Custodian of Abandoned Property to settlements in the area for cultivation this season.

The two tribes are the Arab El-Finyesh and the Arab El-Sbelalim.

New Decision On Rabbinical Courts

The High Court ruled on Friday that a person who submitted himself to the jurisdiction of the Rabbinical Courts could not later deny their authority unless he proved explicitly that he was not a member of Knesset Israel.

Mr. Siegfried Greller had been permitted to remarry by the Tel Aviv Rabbinical Court after his wife had left the country. The Court stipulated, however, that he must submit to its jurisdiction if his former wife should return and bring claims against him in the Rabbinical Courts.

Upon the return of the applicant's former wife, she asked the Rabbinical Court to rescind its decision and to give her custody of their five-year-old daughter.

Mr. Geller then appealed to the High Court to prevent the Rabbinical Court from adjudicating the case since, he claimed, both he and his former wife were not members of Knesset Israel. He argued that his prior agreement to be judged by the Rabbinical Court did not affect its lack of jurisdiction.

The High Court, deploring the absence of legislative action on the issue of membership in the Knesset Israel agreed with the legal principles expounded by the applicant, but held that since he had given the Rabbinical Court reason to believe that it had authority over him, it was up to him to disprove that assumption.

RELEASED ON BAIL

District Court Judge M. Mani released Zeev ben Eliezer Hurwitz, 40, charged with indecent assault, on IL.250 bail, after his earlier plea to the Jerusalem Magistrate, Mr. J. Cohen, had been refused.

Hurwitz, father of six children, claimed that his wife had just been discharged from a mental hospital, and that she might have a relapse. He allegedly entered the home of a 31-year-old housewife and assaulted her last Wednesday.

FIRE DISASTER AVERTED ON HAIFA OIL DOCK

HAIFA, Saturday.—A disaster in the Iraq Petroleum Company oil-dock installation was narrowly averted yesterday morning when employees of the company's marine department prevented the spread of a fire to two full oil tanks.

Thirteen special hose pipes used for transferring fuel oil were destroyed before the blaze was extinguished by the Port Fire Brigade, using the fire-fighting boat. The damage was estimated at IL.6,500.

NazisSeenAttacking S. American Jews

LONDON, Saturday (Reuter). — Dr. Israel Goldstein, Chairman of the American branch of the World Jewish Congress Executive, said here today that an international Nazi movement was attacking the status and economic security of Jewish communities in Latin America.

He said there was little doubt that the centre of the Nazi movement was now in Latin America. He told the fifteenth anniversary conference of the British Section of the World Jewish Congress that a constant stream of propaganda and periodicals which openly advocate the revival of Nazi ideas was issued not only locally, but throughout the world, from South American Nazi publishing houses.

Dr. Goldstein said there were centres of Nazi activity in Latin America which were constantly being reinforced by German immigrants both from Germany itself and other countries.

The international Nazi movement had established close cooperative relations with Arab communities throughout South America where about 700,000 Jews lived, nearly 400,000 of them in the Argentine, he said.

Goldmann and McCloy Talks on Restitution

BONN, Saturday (Reuter). — Dr. Nahum Goldmann, Chairman of the conference on Jewish claims against Germany, gave the U.S. High Commissioner, Mr. John J. McCloy, details today of world Jewry's material claims against Germany.

He also told Mr. McCloy that the conference, held a few weeks ago in New York, supported Israel's demand for $1,500m. from all Germany, according to a statement issued by Dr. Goldmann after the meeting.

Mr. McCloy told Dr. Goldmann that appeal courts for restitution claims in Germany would continue to function even after the Occupation Statute had been replaced by an Allied-German treaty partnership. Dr. Goldmann is to fly to London tomorrow.

A spokesman for Dr. Goldmann announced last night that there would be no meeting between him and the West German Chancellor, Adenauer.

West German government officials in Bonn were puzzled when they learned today that Dr. Goldmann would not be in London before tomorrow afternoon. They claimed a meeting with Adenauer had been arranged to take place in London before the Chancellor's return to Bonn.

Motorcycle Theft Ring Broken Up

TEL AVIV, Saturday (ITIM). — A gang of motorcycle thieves has been broken up here, with the arrest of the eighth member on Friday.

During the past month a number of thefts of motorcycles have been reported by persons who later said that the stolen machine had been returned to them. Upon questioning by the police one of the complainants said that shortly after the loss he had been approached by a man who said that he knew the thieves. He said he would have the motorcycle returned if the victim paid between IL.200 and IL.300 and promised not to tell the police. The victim paid the money and received in exchange a sack containing his machine in parts.

Acting on a description given by the victim, police tracked down the thieves.

Wheels complete with tyres were stolen on Thursday night from the cars of Mr. Moshe Gerzberg and Mr. Avraham Oberzeger, in Romema, Jerusalem.

CHANGES IN PASSENGER TRAINS TIME-TABLE

The following change in the passenger trains timetable will become effective from tomorrow, Monday Dec. 10:—

1) The passenger train which runs daily except Saturdays and Israel holidays, will leave Tel Aviv Old Railway Station for Haifa at 6.30 a.m. The train leaving the North Tel Aviv Railway Station at 6.45 a.m. has been cancelled, from the a/m date.

2) The train leaving Haifa at 6.34 p.m. via Lydda for Tel Aviv daily except Fridays, eve of holidays, Saturdays and holidays, will arrive at Tel Aviv Old Station at 8.35 p.m. instead of at the Tel Aviv North Station as before.

Those having the Israel Railways timetable are hereby requested to make the necessary adjustments.

A. EFRATI
Deputy General Manager

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Gottwald Reveals Slansky's Guilt

LONDON, Saturday (Reuter). — President Gottwald of Czechoslovakia has told his party lieutenants that when Deputy Premier, Rudolf Slansky, accused of treason, was arrested, "imperialist espionage" was making ready for him to flee to the West.

Rudolph Slansky

Mr. Gottwald, Communist Party Chairman, told Communist Cabinet Ministers, party executives and regional leaders in Prague Castle on Thursday that there was "irrefutable proof" of this plan, according to Ceteka, the Czech News Agency.

He was reporting on "the treason of Slansky" at a full-scale inquiry.

The President said that when M. Slansky was relieved in September of his post as Party Secretary General because of "incorrect organizational policy," there had been "no proof that Slansky himself was an enemy of the Party and of the State." His activities had been regarded as mistakes, and he had been given an opportunity in another public office.

But M. Slansky had again operated unsatisfactory methods and policies, again maintaining his adherents and trying to form a special centre from his new office, M. Gottwald said.

During the investigations of various conspirational groups, new facts emerged which showed M. Slansky had played an active part in the anti-Party and anti-State plot connected with the activities of M. Otto Sling, "the traitor and spy" who was principal secretary of the Communist Party organization in Moravia when arrested last autumn. M. Slansky had been immediately released from his government post and taken into custody.

The Central Committee unanimously approved the measures taken against M. Slansky.

Reorganization of the Czech Communist Party was announced by Prague Radio yesterday.

A new commission was formed for party control, the radio said. Broadcast in Russian, the radio said a number of members of the Central Committee had admitted they were at fault in not unmasking M. Slansky's subversive activities earlier.

F.A.O. Ends Sixth Conference in Rome

ROME, Saturday (Reuter). — The U.N. Food and Agriculture Organization ended its sixth conference here on Thursday night with an urgent call to all nations to pool their resources to overcome hunger and malnutrition in the world.

The final meeting approved a long list of recommendations for increased output in agriculture, fisheries and forestry.

The conference also set up a committee to coordinate the fight against the desert locust and authorized the formation of an international commission to fight against diseases now seriously threatening chestnut groves in Mediterranean countries.

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Italians Returning To Flooded Homes

ROVIGO, ITALY (Reuter). — Hundreds of Italians were returning to their Po valley homes today as the vanguard of the 218,000 who were forced to flee during last month's floods.

Some were refused immediate entry into their towns until engineers have checked house foundations, as many dwellings still continue to collapse after a month of submersion.

Day and night work is going ahead on filling the gaping breaches in the Po banks at Cochiobello, near Ferrara.

King of Siam Called Prisoner

BOMBAY, Saturday (Reuter). — A special correspondent of the "Times of India" reported today that the King of the Thailand (Siam) was virtually a prisoner in the hands of his own Government.

The correspondent, Mr. Mulgoonkar, who wired from Rangoon said: "I have had to wait four days to get out of Thailand to tell the incredible story behind the so-called coup of November 29, because it would have had no chance to get past Bangkok's curtain censorship."

The correspondent said 23-year-old King Phumpiphon Adulet was already "a doomed man" when he set foot on Siamese soil last Sunday to take up permanent residence there. He had returned from Europe against the known wishes of his mother.

(The King journeyed home from studying in Switzerland with his beautiful 19-year old Queen Sirikit and the eight-month old Princess Ubol Ratana, to rule for the first time since his succession in 1946.).

Prime Minister Phibul Songgram had been reinstated as head of the Government after a military coup only three days before the royal party docked.

The Indian correspondent reported the Siamese people heard this radio announcement: "Because of the present world situation and aggression, members of the armed forces, police and leaders of the 1932 and 1947 coups d'etat have decided to abrogate the 1947 constitution and put the 1932 constitution into force."

Year in Jail For Currency Attempt

Note Blumenkopf, 40, received a sentence of one year's imprisonment on Friday from the Jerusalem District Court Judge, Mr. S. Tussia-Cohen, after admitting that he attempted to buy $5,000 illegally.

The prosecution established that the accused, who arrived here two months ago as an immigrant, gave IL.10,000 to Mordecai Bek, proprietor of the Oneg Restaurant in Rehov Ben Yehuda, Jerusalem. The latter failed to buy the dollars and returned IL.9,500 to Blumenkopf, keeping IL.500 as commission.

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Cables in Brief

APPOINTED. — Mr. John Allison has been appointed U.S. acting Assistant Secretary of State for Far Eastern Affairs, it was announced in Washington on Friday.

DISMISSED. — Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek has dismissed General Mow Tang-chu from his post of Deputy Commander of the Chinese Air Force and representative of the Military Staff Committee in the Security Council, the Chinese Embassy announced in Washington Friday night. General Mow had been involved in a financial controversy with his government.

DEATH OF EDITOR OF 'NEW YORKER'

BOSTON, Saturday. — Mr. Harold Wallace Ross, editor of the "New Yorker," died in hospital here on Thursday after a lung operation. He was 59.

Ross, like so many New Yorkers was born in a small town — Aspen, Colorado. He started his career at the age of 14 as a reporter on the "Salt Lake City (Utah) Tribune." Before the first World War he worked on papers in California, Panama, New Orleans and Atlanta, Georgia.

After service with the Army Engineering Corps in the war, he became one of the editors of the "Stars and Stripes." He edited the American Legion Weekly from 1919 to 1924, when he became editor of the humour magazine "Judge."

The next year he founded "The New Yorker" which in the last quarter of a century has become famous for its sophisticated comment, cartoons, reportage, and short stories.

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Philippine Volcano Fury Unabated

MANILA, Saturday (Reuter). — Orders for the evacuation of the 35,000 inhabitants of Cosinquin island were given today as the great volcano Hibok continued to spout red-hot rocks and lava with unabated fury.

The evacuation is being carried out as fast as possible.

Over 2,000 dead are lying within the area where explosions from the volcano make the recovery of the bodies impossible, according to an official casualty report issued today.

Since the volcano went into eruption on Tuesday, 197 bodies have been recovered. Ashes and lava completely cover 15 villages on the slopes of the volcano and are now threatening the township of Mambajas.

The Philippine Red Cross reports the recovery of the bodies of a family of seven, clasped in each others arms and burned to death.

A Philippine army pilot from a mercy mission reported today that the "fury continues unabated, with red-hot rocks rolling down the mountainside into the sea, and the lava flow increasing steadily."

'U.S. Spy' Faces Death In Polish Trial

LONDON, Saturday (Reuter). — The Polish public prosecutor demanded the death sentence for an "agent of the U.S. Secret Service" M. Tadeusz Chabel, on trial for espionage in the Szczecin District Military Court, the Polish News Agency reported from Warsaw.

A dispatch received in London today said prison sentences were demanded for four other men tried with him.

The Association of Water Engineers will open a two-day conference at 7.45 this evening at Goldschmidt's Restaurant in Jerusalem.

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Residents in the following streets are invited to attend this meeting: Hata'rukha; Hanamal; Shaarei Zion; Yirmiyahu; Zion; Haggai; Vardi; Hamoreh; Zecharia; Zefania, from the Yarkon to the right branch, from Yirmiyahu to the end.

2) **Moadon Hatzo'irim, 15 Rehov Zamenhof, 7 p.m.**
Residents of the following streets are invited to attend this meeting: Frishmann, from Dizengoff to Shlomo Hamelekh; Bograshov, from Pinsker to King George; King George, from Bograshov to Shlomo Hamelekh; Pinsker, from Bograshov to the Circle (odd numbers); from Dizengoff Circle to Frishman (odd numbers); Bar Kokhba; Zamenhoff; Yael; Esther Hamalka; Shulamit; Bezalel; Malachi.

3). **Dov Hos House, 23 Rehov Tschernichovsky 7 p.m.**
Residents in the following streets are invited to attend this meeting: King George, from Allenby to Rashi; Allenby, from King George to Ben Yehuda (right side); Hess (from Allenby to Idelson); Tschernichovsky (from Allenby to Rashi); (from Tschernichovsky to King George); Maccabi from Tschernichovsky to King George—Bet Lehem.

4). **WIZO Club, Bet Hashoeva Lane, 7 p.m.**
Residents of Rehov Allenby, from Kikar Hamedinah to Carmel are invited to attend this meeting.

5). **Histadrut Club, 7 Rehov Ahva, 7 p.m.**
Residents of Shabazi, Chelouche, Ahva streets and all Manshieh lanes are invited to attend this meeting.

6). **Party Club, 119 Rehov Levinsky, 7 p.m.**
Residents in the following streets are invited to attend this meeting: Wolfsohn, Levanda to Aliya; Hagdud Ha'ivri; Peretz; N'veh Sha'anan; Y'sod Hama'ala; Meron; Ain Hakoreh; Rishon le Zion.

8). **Histadrut Club, South, 43 Rehov Hakishon, 8 p.m.**
Residents in the following streets are invited to attend this meeting: Emek Yizra'el; Uriel Acosta; Hakishon, from Wolfsohn to Salameh; Rehov Hatahana.

9). **Sh'khunat Hatikva, Histadrut House, 7 p.m.**
All residents of Sh'khunat Hatikva and its lanes are invited to attend this meeting.

10). **Histadrut Club, near Zohar Cinema, Rehov Salameh 7 p.m.**
Residents of the following streets are invited to attend this meeting: Shlonsi; Meshed to Herzl, Givat Herzl and Abu Kebir Quarter.

11). **Working Mothers Organization, Sh'khunat Shapira, 24 Rehov Hamedina Bein Yisrael, 7 p.m.**
Residents of the following streets are invited to attend this meeting: Sh'khunat Shapira; Ibn Ezra, from Shlonsi to Shimon Bar Yokhai; Ibn Paksuda, from Shlonsi to end; King Hizkiyahu; Shimon Bar Yokhai, from Ibn Gabirol to end.

12). **Party Club, Jaffa, near Post Office, Beq Shalom, 7 p.m.**
Residents of the following streets are invited to attend this meeting: King George, Jaffa, from Salameh to end; No. 10 to No. 193 on corner Rehov 240.

13). **Party Club, Givat Aliya, 7 p.m.**
Residents of Givat Aliya; Rehov 4 No. 146—Bat Yam border are invited to attend this meeting.

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THE LESSON OF JALAMEH

DESPITE the several critical issues that have faced Israel during the past months few matters have so roused public and press indignation as what has been termed the Jalameh "scandal"—in which some members of the police force did undoubtedly behave in a reprehensive manner toward detainees under their charge. The Government has claimed that the incident was of a very minor nature, and was magnified by the detainees in order to cloud over the issue of their own offence, and this is no doubt true; just as it is true that any such incident is welcome to every opposition member in the Knesset. In an age and place of concentration camps the scandals of Jalameh are mild indeed; but who ever said that Israel should have even detention camps?

Such a camp exists to detain persons not charged with or convicted of any statutory offence, but held, protectively, for their membership of an organization suspected of conspiring against the State, for holding a political opinion regarded as dangerous to security, or for being members of a faith or nation that has been proscribed. And it is the crime of being a person thought likely to do a particular thing that tends to arouse contempt, hatred and vindictiveness in police guards who experience no difficulty in being just and civil to a convicted criminal.

The Government may be right in not wishing to make scapegoats of the Jalameh guards. There is little worth saying about the Jalameh incident today except that it should never have occurred. To accuse the police of lack of courage in prosecuting its own members when need arises is absurd in the face of the recently completed Tryfus trial, in which a police officer was found guilty of abuse of office and sentenced to two years' imprisonment. Damaging as this case was, superficially, to the prestige of the police, it was undoubtedly of the utmost value that it should have been pressed with determination and all its shabby machinations courageously revealed: there could have been no other way in which the Police could have demonstrated so convincingly its determination to uphold the law and to afford the citizen protection — even against its own members.

Politics did not enter into that case, and, as a result, it was the object of much less indignation than Jalameh, though the circumstances were a great deal more scandalous. Jalameh does not exist, and Tryfus was sentenced; these two facts will have to serve as an earnest of the Police's intention to maintain its high standards. If the right young men, and perhaps particularly those who have recently finished their army terms, will volunteer to serve in the force and make it their career, because it offers an honest, useful and secure livelihood, then we will continue to have a good police force.

KOREAN IRREGULARITY

WHEN, towards the close of a long war, cease-fire talks have gone far enough, soldiers in the field may suddenly break off the bloody business before negotiators have dotted the last "i" and crossed the last "t." The dreadful reciprocity of organized killing snaps like a fetter. Each soldier feels himself to become in that instant something greater than a detail in the design for death, and that he is no longer banished from family nor stood off from ordinary human work. Joy leaps across distance, and people many thousand miles off, having neither relatives nor friends at the front, share in peace returning to earth like spring after winter.

On November 28 there was news of Chinese soldiers playing volley ball in full view of Americans; and when night fell upon the cold abraded earth they repealed the blackout with bonfires. Upon their limbs fell light and warmth but no other missiles. Official information about these happenings did not reach the Defence Department in Washington; but that is no matter for surprise, because the bigger and more efficient a department grows the less it can possibly know about volley ball and bonfires. Out in the east, far away from dictaphones and flood-lit wall maps, men were turning their backs upon war, beginning to forget it already, and to take again into their hands the innocent gaiety of bygone days.

LONDON LETTER

Churchill's Visit to Washington

By Philip Vernon

LONDON.—PARLIAMENT adjourns for the Christmas recess this week and before it reassembles in the last week of January Mr. Churchill will have made his anxiously-awaited, much-discussed, visit to Washington.

Many Americans believe that Mr. Churchill will arrive with cigar, V-sign and a declaration of British independence, to speak to them as equal to equal. On both sides of the Atlantic it is felt likely that he will be characteristically outspoken in his presentation of the British case, and that he will make quite sure that his case is fully understood — and heeded.

There is one condition to be fulfilled if he is to succeed. The first payment on the American loan — due on December 31 — must be made. It is now assumed, in informed circles in London, that it will be made — and on time. If it is not, Mr. Churchill's task in Washington will be almost hopeless.

No New Loan

The second assumption is equally important. It is that Mr. Churchill will not seek any direct U.S. dollar aid: he will not ask for another American loan or more Marshall Aid. This is worth emphasizing because when it is stated that one of the objects of his visit is to get more American aid the immediate popular impression is that he will seek a new loan, or something of the kind.

In fact, Mr. Churchill is likely to insist that all such aid must come, as Britain's due, through N.A.T.O. A picture was painted to me this week of the way in which the Washington talks might open, with Mr. Churchill sitting down opposite the Americans.

"Now," says one of the Americans, "You want some more dollars, I suppose?"

"Dollars", replies Mr. Churchill, "Dollars? Oh no! I haven't come to talk about dollars. That's all being discussed over in Europe, you know. So we needn't talk much about dollars here."

It was significant that when in the House of Commons Mr. Churchill was asked a few questions about his Washington visit, the most important was raised by Mr. Gaitskell. Would the Prime Minister make sure, he asked, that all financial aid was really closely associated with the discussions taking place in N.A.T.O., with the purpose of sharing the burden of rearmament fairly between the different member countries? Mr. Churchill returned a non-committal answer, but it may be assumed that on this point he was in full agreement with Mr. Gaitskell.

What, then, will Mr. Churchill talk about? He may open a discussion—to be continued by the economists and the experts — on the possibility of another form of U.S. aid: the provision of specific goods needed for the rearmament programme, such as steel or tanks. Along such lines, it should not be impossible for the Americans and the British to come to terms.

Other questions will be equally to the fore of Mr. Churchill's mind. He is almost certain to seek assurance about the use of the American bomber bases in England, a question on which he has previously expressed himself with as much fervour as diplomacy would permit. Whether he can secure more than a face-saving formula has yet to be seen, but there is no doubt that he feels strongly about the presence on British soil of foreign bombers over whose activities his Government has no control.

A-Bomb Queries

He is also certain to raise the question of the atom bomb. Mr. Churchill has never concealed his dislike of the present position, in which Britain takes a back seat in the development and production of the bomb. On this highly-controversial point he is most unlikely to accept an American rebuff meekly.

Mr. Churchill said in the House of Commons that he was hoping "not so much to deal with specific points as to make sure we are, as far as possible, on both sides of the Atlantic, looking ... through the same eyes at the many problems that lie before us."

And this is the real justification for his visit. He has been out of office for six years and all that time Mr. Truman and his Administration have been in office. An early meeting between the two may save much misunderstanding later. This, at any rate, is the hope expressed even by Mr. Churchill's political opponents at home.

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THE WEEK IN THE KNESSET

POWER OF THE GAVEL

By GERDA LUFT

NOTHING like this has ever happened in the Knesset before. There have been altercations, angry shouts which interrupted orderly debates, and stern warnings directed by the Speaker to unruly members. But the attempt made by Mr. Bar Yehuda, of Mapam, to force the House to change its agenda was something new.

The majority of the members waited tensely and silently for the duel between the Speaker and Mr. Bar Yehuda to end. Some, however, used the opportunity for a guerrilla war waged with invective. Spectators in the gallery craned their necks to see what was going on below. And when the Deputy Speaker, Mr. Shefer, warned Mr. Bar Yehuda for the third time to sit down the question hung in the hall: what will happen next? Will the Speaker suspend him? Will he comply? If not, what then?

The trouble started when the Government's conclusions on the Jalameh report came up for discussion on Tuesday afternoon. The debate was awaited with some interest, and it was long overdue. The Minister of Police had already been given the floor when Mr. Bar Yehuda asked for a change in the agenda, so that the issue of the seamen could be discussed first.

The agenda of the week had been upset, because the President's Law was inserted on Monday evening. Otherwise there would have been room for the discussion of Jalameh as well as for the strikers. Mapam felt, however, that Mapai welcomed this enforced delay, because then it would have another week to settle the dispute before it was dealt with in the Knesset. They therefore demanded a change in the agenda.

Agenda Upset

Procedurally, the Government and the Speaker were undoubtedly justified. The Cabinet decides on the Knesset agenda. If this right is curtailed, systematic work in the House becomes impossible, and the Government cannot plan legislation. Initiative by the opposition and by private members is given the necessary scope through proposals for the agenda voted upon by the House. The notion that the sovereignty of Parliament is endangered by this government prerogative is as confused as it is far-fetched.

In addition to this procedural question, which must be settled once and for all, there is the tricky business of keeping order within the House. During the Knesset's brief experience, the need to suspend a member has never arisen. Even the stormiest incidents have been handled by the Speaker with a call for order. What would have happened if the Speaker had found it necessary to suspend Mr. Bar Yehuda?

When the possibility was suggested there were angry shouts that this would never be tolerated. There are only two possibilities: either all members heed the Speaker's decisions and use official channels of appeal to the House Committee —or they will have to reconcile themselves to suspension. Much could be gained if the ever-present opposition suspicion that the Cabinet might use its powers to suppress disagreeable discussions could be allayed.

Police Ministry

The long delay in the Jalameh discussion should once again draw attention to the role of Parliamentary enquiries. Seven months or more have passed since the incident itself. Public and Parliament alike have lost interest in the affair as was proven by the very fact that a further week's delay would have been accepted without much protest. But the building-up of an adequate and well-disciplined police force is just as imperative now as it was half a year ago. The Knesset should make sure that the material and the recommendations of its commissions of enquiry are treated with proper respect and that they are acted upon without undue procrastination.

More than one speaker denied the necessity for a separate Ministry of Police and urged the transfer of its powers to the Minister of Interior. This proposal is not new. It is important to many who feel concern over anti-liberal tendencies in Israel. There is not much hope that these proposals will now be heeded. But the issue should be taken up whenever the opportunity presents itself.

Budget Speech

The Budget speech by the Minister of Finance came as a sort of anti-climax. It was not the introduction to the discussions on economic policy for which the Knesset had hoped. Mr. Kaplan remained true to his own standards. He did not try to paint a rosy picture of future developments. But wealth of statistics did not compensate for lack of a more profound analysis. Again the general lines of government policy —tax revision, higher output and so on — were emphasized in much the same way as in the introduction to the foreign currency bill a fortnight ago: There was, however, no answer to the all-important question: how is this policy to be implemented, save by changes in taxation?

The poor attendance during the budget speech might well be explained by the profusion of statistics which the Minister is prone to favour in his speeches. Many listeners said afterwards that the Knesset might get a clearer view of economic matters if statistical tables would be supplied in advance, so that Kaplan could concentrate on major economic issues, referring his audience to figures and charts whenever necessary. This procedure is put forward as a suggestion for future budget speeches.

Readers' Letters

DIFFERENCE IN FACTS

To the Editor of The POST

Sir, — As one who has thoroughly studied the history of Munich (and one who was in the midst of the events in Czechoslovakia) I must object to the obvious misrepresentation of historical facts in Mr. Winston Churchill's War Memoirs, published in your edition of November 14.

Mr. Churchill, in his tribute to the late president of Czechoslovakia, Dr. Eduard Benes, writes:

> ...Where he (Benes) failed — and it cost him and his country much — was in not taking violent decisions at the supreme moment. ... Had he told his cannons to fire at Munich time the Second World War would have begun under conditions far less favourable to Hitler.....

The historical facts are completely different. President Benes had mobilized the Czechoslovak Army and was prepared to fight, putting all his and his people's confidence in the Czechoslovak-French treaty of mutual assistance in the case of a war with Germany. But he was told by the governments of France and Great Britain in an *ultimatum* on September 21, 1938, that these countries will definitely not go to war over Czechoslovakia. (Mr. Neville Chamberlain, the British Premier at that time, made history by telling the House of Commons in those days: "Czechoslovakia is a far away country about which we know nothing.") and that therefore the alternative for Czechoslovakia was either to accept the dictate of Munich or — in the words of the said ultimatum — "to be left to her fate, which she herself had brought on."

According to the memoirs of the late President Benes (which have been vigorously attacked by Soviet Russia and have been forbidden by the present Communist government of Czechoslovakia), Mr. Churchill himself stated in London on July 27, 1939:

"...I do not know, what course things will take now and I cannot say if Great Britain will go to war for Czechoslovakia..."

Mr. Benes was also told by President F. D. Roosevelt in Washington on May 28, 1939, that Western Europe *did not want to help* Czechoslovakia and that the Western countries were not prepared at the time of Munich — either morally, or physically — to fight against Hitler.

Mr. Churchill's statement now is also contrary to history and to what he himself said on July 27, 1939.

Yours, etc.,
Dr. FELIX GRAD

Tel Aviv, November 18.

RUBINSTEIN BROADCAST

To the Editor of The POST

Sir,—With reference to the letter which appeared on Dec. 5 in regard to the broadcast of a Rubinstein recital, your correspondent should note that the Beethoven 4th Piano Concerto with Rubinstein as soloist with the I.P.O. under the baton of George Singer will be broadcast on Sunday, December 9 (this evening). The broadcast starts with the "Egmont" at 8.40 p.m.

Yours etc.,
S. WILKINSON
Public Relations Officer

Tel Aviv, December 5.

MUSICAL DIARY

APART from the visits of Koussevitzky, Bernstein and Heifetz, there has been no musical event here since 1938 to compare with the performances of Artur Rubinstein. The programme of his second and last Jerusalem recital at the Edison on Thursday was off the beaten track. Bach-Busoni's Toccata in C-Major was gigantic in polyphony. The rich Chopin-series opened with the incomparable Barcarolle, op. 60 and the C-sharp-Scherzo. The latter was almost a revolutionary event.

Stravinsky's Petrouchka, was presented with irresistible force highlighting the original "ragtime" finale. The fine shading of the colour-nuances in Ravel's Ondine (from Gaspard de la nuit) served as the transition to "L'Heure Espagnole", Albeniz' sensuous "Navarra", the gracefulness of Granados and the vitality of de Falla, a flashing light, as none but Rubinstein can demonstrate so well. The encores included Schumann and Villa-Lobos, who composed a new work on the occasion of Mr. Rubinstein's tour of Brazil only some weeks ago.

Excepting the late Eugen d'Albert we have never experienced such a demonic pianist, who seems in temperament not one day older than twenty years ago.

Zarai and French Music

YOHANAN Zarai was presented by the Centre de Culture Francaise in an attractive programme of French music on Tuesday night at the Y.M.C.A., with the Kol Israel orchestra. Israel's youngest conductor (22) has a strong affinity for modern French music. He has both precision and elasticity, and uses his left arm well. After Gretry's classical overture "Lucille", Saint Saens' solemn "Sarabande for strings" was well interpreted and Aric Ablieah was the adequate soloist with Faure's "Ballade for piano and orchestra." But the second part of the bill did more to prove the youthful conductor's talent. The four preludes to Bizet's "Carmen" exhibited Zarai's operatic sense, with exquisite colour contrasts.

The third prelude caught the essential lyrical nostalgia, while the fourth breathed a fiesta-like spirit. Ravel's "Pavane pour une Infante defunte" was moving. Mr. Zarai offered an outstanding performance of Debussy's "Petite Suite," vital and full of charm. He interpreted local composer H. Jacobi's "David Had a Violin" with considerable understanding, although it did not seem suitable for a French programme.

It is disclosing no secret to observe that the Kol Israel ensemble at present scarcely sounds or looks like an orchestra. Its main defect is inconstancy. For the second time its leader, Eli Goren, is in London; only very rarely does Sascha Parnes (the permanent leader of the late P.B.S. orchestra), take his place. Promising Uri Shoham (flute) joined the I.P.O. Thelma Yellin (cello), Peggy Hayman (violin) and Hanan Sachs (trumpet) are missing. The Kol Israel orchestra badly needs a blood-transfusion.

FRANGO

"Progressive Jazz"

AFTER the concert of Pianist Hazel Scott, at the Ramat Gan Rama Cinema last Tuesday, had come to an end, this listener felt a little disturbed: —Bach and Boogie Woogie and Yiddish songs in one programme represented too varied a potpourri for a modest local audience. While Hazel Scott's playing of jazz did not at all reveal that she is also able to master the classics, her performance of Chopin, for instance, reflected rhythmical liberties evocative of the jazz jungle. Symptomatic was Miss Scott's reading of Chopin's "Raindrop" prelude, which sounded much like a negro spiritual—an interpretation which represented the most original effect of the entire evening.

In the second part of the programme Miss Scott played a genuinely "hot" potpourri from the Broadway musical, "South Pacific"; Bop and Be-Bop pieces (a variation which the artist characterized from the stage as "Progressive Jazz"), and the Chicago style of "Boogie Woogie." She concluded the evening with Yiddish songs, and songs by Gershwin.

THE first of a series of five Youth concerts, arranged by the I.P.O. in collaboration with the Tel Aviv Municipality took place at the Ohel Shem on Tuesday afternoon. As the emphasis in the series is on the use and development of wind instruments, with a view to encouraging greater interest in this section of the orchestra, we heard a performance of Mozart's "second concerto for flute and orchestra," with Uri Shoham as soloist. The interpretation could have been more animated.

Also on the programme were a Concerto Grosso by Corelli; the Semitic Suite by Boscovits; and the Second Suite by Stravinsky—all in all a well chosen selection. Zeev Priel (Friedlaender) conducted.

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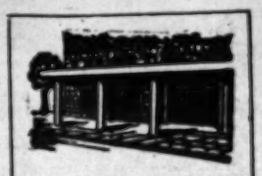

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